record, that he did not send specifications to Baker, Taylor & Co.

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"When did you go to New York to
buy the books for the solpol traveling
libraries?"

"It was in October."

"Where did you stop?"

"At the Hotel Astor."

"Did you give anybody an opportunity to fill this order but Putnam &
Ga?"

"No. sir."

"No, sir."
"Why not?"
"I had absolute freedom in the matter. We had dealt with Putnam before, and his place was conveniently and centrally located. I was pressed for time, and could not run around from one place to another. I therefore chese Putnam's as the place to see and select the books."

#### Instructions Read.

Witness testified that the Instruc tions given by the Superintendent of Public Instruction were regarded by him as merely advisory, and that the m as merely advisory, and that the at of titles was given as a guide, as a guide, as a guide, as a full of the law give the Labrary Board the athority to purchase the books. Here the chair read these printed structions appended to the Hat furshed by Superintendent Eggloston to v Kennedy:

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1. Be certain to aveid historical matter written from a sectional standpoint at the North. I think I may eliminated all of such works.
2. The list has been too hastly prepared to be well graded. Some have been wrongly classified, also, under history, literature, geography, etc.

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5. It is not necessary to follow the edition named if other editions are as good in binding, price, editing, etc. For example, "Robinson Crusoe," or "Hiswatia," or any of these standards, Do not get "cheap," shouldy bindings, if it can be avoided. Hemember that some classics must be well edited for children—"Robinson Crusoe," for example. The unexpurgated edition will not do.

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4. Of many of these books there should be several copies, as they will prove immensely popular.

5. Don'tmake the mistake of keeping the little tots out of view. Most children leave school before they are twelve. These are the enes we must "catch." Get pienty of books for small children, not well advanced. The Hight School list is over-crowded. Duplicate if necessary, as frequently there are three sary, as frequently there are three or four children after the same book.

### Absolute Authority.

"What have you to say about these instructions, Mr. Kennedy?" asked the

chairman.
"I say I had absolute freedom and

was not bound by them?

"G. P. Putnam & Company are known as publishers, are they not?"

"They are large dealers, and I think de some publishing."

"Did they have these books in stock, or did they have to assemble them

"They had a good many, and others were brought in."

were brought in,"

"You say you examined about six hundred of the titles purchased?"

"I possibly examined about saven hundred out of the total of some seventeen hundred which were purchased."

"You did not huy all the books then on the list given you by Mr. Eggleston?"

"No. str."

great, isn't it?"

"I know the firm only in a business way, but they have the best facilities for localing books, and if they say they centot be gotten, I feel sure this is true."

# Ridiculed by Chair.

Byrd brought in some books that had been bought in paper and bound at the expense of the State. The chair and

"Berry's for Clothes."

The headsman is onto his job prices have been trimmed to

Whatever you need in the ine of clothing-for boy or nan-come here first. You can save \$7.25 by buying \$25 Suit or Overcoat for

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12.75. You can save \$2.75 by buying a pair of \$7.50 Trousers for \$4.75.
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order from the board, for I did not regard the books as junk." Begins Own Statement.

"When did you make your first pur-chase for the citizens' traveling libra-ries?"

es."
"I think it was in March."
"Did you go to New York to make the

ise bid on these books except Putnam?" "Why not?"

"Why not?"
"Because I had ample facilities there.
"Have you recently ordered any books
returned to Bell?"
"I may have."
"Now isn't it a matter of fact that you
got one of these books from Bell and another from Putnam, and returned the former because of the duplicates when you
had gotten the rest of the series from
Bell?"

That may be, though I cannot say Now, Mr. Kennedy, I understand you

"Now, Mr. Konnedy, I understand you wish to make a statement. You will be allowed to make your statement in your own way and in your own time."

Witness first took up the purchase of school traveling libraries from Putnam & Company, and discussed this feature at length, in view of an estimate recently submitted by the Educational Publishing Company, as to what they could have furnished the books for. He showed by his calculations that the actual difference in bids in favor of Putnam was \$199.10.

Difference in Prices.

Difference in Prices. He submitted the following detailed statement on the subject:

"Now, gentlemen, the books as pur-chased for the school traveling labraries cost the State \$1,122.78 for 1,773 titles, while the bid I just read you (referring to Putnam's bid) was on 2,196 titles which is a difference in the number of

which is a difference in the number of titles amounting to 417.

"In order to show you what the difference between these two bids actually is, I would state that the difference in price is \$199.10, this difference being due, in a large measure, to the additional number of books supplied by the Educational Publishing Company. In order to show you where this difference lies, I will state that on the original list, which the Educational Publishing Company bid

written over fifty years ago? asked the chair.

"I regard that book as valuable to a man who is studying chemistry from its foundation, but if I had roticed it olds are listed by the Educational Publooks are listed by the Education Publooks are listed by the Educational Publooks are listed

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claimed to have undergone in the matter of securing a transcript of evidence ir order to prepare his answer, though he disclaimed distinctly any suggestion that any member of the committee was responsible for these conditions. He said they resulted from a train of circumstances which perhaps could not be avoided. He was inferred by members of the committee that he shot d have all the time he wanted. He said he was ready to make his argument, but that he had prepared it after superhuman effort, working day and night.

He was invited to proceed, and took up the testimony of Mr. R. O. Bell. Much of this had been replied to in the general statement made by Mr. Keincely when he first hypeared before the committee. He enlarged upon his former answer. Seated in the witness chair, he had a transcript of the evidence before him, and he frequently read from this, and exhibiting various books, he undertook to combat all of Mr. Hell's contentions. Coming back to books for traveling libraries, witness said time was pressing and that it was found inexpedient to bid. The board saw this, and ordered him to go to New York to make the purchases. He would see to see all the books purchased in Virginie, but he really did not think any better conditions than those secured by him could have been gotten.

He bought nearly all his personal books ir Richmond, and hoped it would be found test to purchase all for the library The committee at this point took a recess for lunch.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Librarian Closes His Case With Biting References to Accusers. It was 2:30 o'clock P. M. when the ommittee resumed its sitting.

Kennedy again took the stand nd continued his statement in dense of his position. He invoke. brary authorities to show that it was he best policy to buy good books, even hough they should cost more money. the best policy to buy good books, even though they should cost more money. He read letters from some of these gentlemen, declaring that the witness and gotten remarkably low figures, considering the class of books he got. One of these was from Mr. A. R. Spofford, a frained librarian, and another from Mr. Edwin H. Anderson, the head of the traveling library system of New York, and both advocated the purchase of the best printed and bound books for traveling libraries. Still another was from Thomas L. Montgomery, State librarian of Pennsylvania, who took the same ground. "Now, gentlemen," said Mr. Rennedy. "I submit that evidence as incontrovertable, to show that in the purchase of the books for the school traveling libraries, I did the best possible thing in sight for the interests of the State."

Mr. Kennedy rasped Mr. Bell for saying that a dolar edition of Robin Hood would do for traveling libraries, and declared that there was no common sense in such a statement. Two books were submitted, and Chairman Eyrd and Mr. Strode appeared to think the cheaper one was the more durable.

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ne was the more durable.

Speaking of Mr. Bell's testimony as to speaking of Mr. Beil's testimony as to declon, witness practically declared that Bell knew nothing of the subject. Ho thought, however, he had shown his ability to create faction if not to pass judgment upon it.

### Statements Denied.

Mr. Cox, of the committee, had been asisting that the witness file all the etters from which had been reading attracts to bear out his good judgment a buying books, so that the record night be handled expeditionally, "I wanted to use them again," said the witness.

When I leave here I am going to give "When I leave here I am going to give you gentlemen every bit of the evidence I have, whether you want it or not."

Mr. Cox wished to know what was meant by this remark, and witness declared that he meant nothing disrespectful to the committee, and that he had nothing but the purest and highest motives.

lives. Witness denied positively that he had ever told Mr. Bell that he had gone to New York to purchase books personally in order to "establish a standard to go by." He needed no standard, but went in order to get the books quickly and at the book purchase.

Mr. Byrd brought in paper and bound at the expense of the State. The chair and the expense of the State. The chair and not think much of them, and asked if on there were 355 books that were priced for they were so much junk, and that it they were so much junk, and that it would not be proper to send them out in traveling libraries. He did not remember this, but had ordered all the paper and the best books to be bound.

Mr. Byrd dwelt upon an eight-paced freatise on tanning, and asked the witness upon what method of reasoning being over again. Was the reply. "A tamor had it bound."

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"I would not concept that the deliver books actually needed for the library and asked the witness upon what method of reasoning be had bought this book in paper and then had it bound."

"I would not concept that the Helmond book-dealer just didn't know anything about the matter of buy library bear that the Helmond book. Helmond books. He move that the delimination of the store were 15th and there were price at the Educational Publishing Company bid that were listed in the proper prices of in the price of seventy-three books. Bear the prices of 36 and 56 cents, the library authorities in the public library and the paper and the price of seventy-three books. Bear the prices of 36 and 56 cents, the library authorities in the public library as anybody else."

He answered in like manner as to a book sort with the librarian had paid eight cents.

He would also again buy a book on the art of building canyass canoes, which the chair had erlicised.

How about this book on chemistry, written over fifty years ago?" asked the chair. A would also again buy a book on the art of building canyass canoes, which the chair had erlicised.

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no trouble in "showing him up" in his answers before the committee.

### Brief Wrangle.

Witness undertook to answer Mr. Berkeley's criticism of prices, and said while Mr. Berkeley was a faithful man, yet he had had but little experience in library work, certainly that portion of it which relates to prices. He thought Mr. Berkeley's own testimony was the best evidence of his imporance on the subject. evidence of his ignorance on the subject The witness and Mr. Byrd got into The witness and Mr. Byrd got into a warm wrample over an effort on the part of the former to have the record changed with reference to Mr. Berkeley's testimony as to whether the bills for the library books had been paid when Mr. Berkeley first testified, and finally Mr. Meredith took a hand.

Later Mr. Berkeley and Mr. Patteson were also speaking, and some times as many as two of them were firing at once, when the chair called a halt. Mr. Byrd expressed great consideration for

once, when the chair called a halt. Mr. Byrd expressed great consideration for the phlianthrope stand which he said the witness was taking in seeking to have the record do Mr. Berkeley justice, but he really thought the latter needed protection, as he thought there were three to one.

Mr. Kennedy replied sharply that he did not wish the sympathy or considera-

Mr. Kennedy replied sharply that he did not wish the sympathy or consideration of the chair in the matter, and shortly there was a clearer understanding of the situation, and the record was

allowed to stand.

Referring evidently to Mr. Byrd's remarks to Mr. Kennedy about philanthropy, etc., Mr. Meredith said in the meanwhile that he would not include in any characterizing adjectives, but that he wished to get at the truth of the matter, and to find out whether Mr. Berkeley or Mr. Kennedy was right.

# Branded as a Lie.

After Messrs, Berkeley and Kennedy reached an understanding, the latter proceeded with his testimony.
Witness read an anildavit of Irving Putnam on the subject of the history-writing matter, which follows:
State of New York, County of New York—ss.;

Irving Putnam, being sworn, states as I am the secretary and one of the

managing directors of G. P. Putnam's "I am thoroughly informed as to all the publishing contracts and engagement

to write a history of Virginia, agreeing to pay him \$2,500, is a lie,

"The statement that they had paid Kennedy \$500 on account is a lie.

"The house has no contract engagement, or agreement of any kind whatever, with Mr. Kennedy,

"The house has never paid Mr. Kennedy a cent, and has ne agreement to pay him with or without agreement.

"The house has no plan for publishing a history of Virginia, nor any intention of issuing such a work.

"The house has never made any offer or suggestion to Mr. Kennedy in connection with publishing this or any other work.

work.
"In the event of auch an undertaking not only would this house not agree to pay the author a certain sum, but in all probability the house would require a guarantee to meet the expenses of the undertaking. IRVING PUTNAM. "Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of January, 1971.
"WILBUR C. GOODULE, "Notary Public, "New York City, N. Y."

# Called Cheap Men.

Witness took up the testimony of Mr. Schofield, manager for Hunter & Co., and treated it much as he had that of Mr. Bell, contending in substance that the witness knew but little of the subject on which he was testifying. The librarian which he was testifying. The libra closed his formal statement with

which he was testifying. The librarian closed his formal statement with this biting language;

"The whole trond of the evidence as given by Mr. Bell, Mr. Schootheld, Mr. Evans and Mr. Berkeley is one very clear delineation of cheap thought, cheap books and cheap men, whose ambition in this particular case seems to have been to place the State in a wrong position in the book world and give to its citizens tho charpest possible material in the book line that could be purchased."

When this sentence was concluded Mr. Berkeley was on his feet in an apparent effort to reply, but Mr. Kennedy had a great bulk of books and papers to file in evidence, and the chair checked Mr. Berkeley, who was evidently worked up to a high pitch.

Mr. Kennedy completed his statement, and at 6 o'clock declared he was ready on his part to submit the case.

The committee will resume at 10 o'clock this moraing.

#### this morning. Correction Made.

Correction Made.

The following self-explantory letter has been received from Mr. W. C. Torrence, who testified before the committee on Tuesday:

Richmond, Va., February 6, 1207.

To Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Dear Sir,—The account of the proceedings of the investigating committee in this morning's issue of The Times-Dispatch contained an error of statement, which I ask you, in Justice to myself, to correct. The account stated that I admitted I had not said that Mr. Kennedy told me it was a Northern publishing house which made him the offer for wrking a school history of Virginia. This statement is entirely wrong, as the report of the evidence will show. In reply to a question asked by Mr. Kennedy, I repeated my first statement, which was that Mr. Kennedy, In a conversation with Dr. Eckenrode and myself said that it was a Northern publishing house which made him the offer.

offer.

I trust that you will correct this mis-take, which, as printed, changes the entire purport of my testimony. WILLIAM CLAYTON-TORRENCE.

A. Gathright was fined \$5 yesterday morning by Justice Crutchfield for

L. Phaup was fined \$10 for insecurely fastening a hogshead of tobacco

on a wagon.

Willie Forrall, white, was given ninety days in jall on the charge of having stolen a ham from the Chesapeaks and Ohio Rallroad. Ohio Railroad.

Harry Forbes alias Jack Perry, white, who was discovered early one morning coming out of a vacant house on Clay Street with a clock tucked under his arm, was given four months in Jall.

Charles Gardner, colored, was fined \$10 and costs in the Police Court yesterday morning for having been disorderly on a street car and refusing to pay his fare.

John Berry, Alice Leber and Frank Finnegan, all white, appeared in the rt yesterday morning on the harge of having assaulted and robbed Newton L. Burnett, an employe of the Newton L. Burnett, an employe of the Street Cleaning Department. Burnett was put on the witness stand, but his testimony was too conflicting and the charge against the young men was dismissed as being without foundation.

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atod), which has been doing a brokerage business for something like a year

age business for something like a year past at 118 South Fourteenth Street, is in the hands of a receiver, and placed there on a motion in the Chancery Court by the moneyed partners of the concern. By order of the court Mr. Philip Meisel, Jr., becomes the receiver. And thereby hangs a tale.

W. H. Hardin, the president of the company, and the active manager of the business, has been missing from his necustomed hitunts for about three weeks. All sorts of stories have been made public as to the cause of his absence. One was to the effect that he was at the bedside of a sick mother in South Carellina, and another was that a sick wife in North Carolina claimed his attention, and both stories had to them postacripis that the alling relatives being better physically. Mr. Hardin was, or soon would be, on his way to Richmond. He did not show up, however, at the appointed time and the stories of sick would be, on his way to inclinious. He did not show up, however, at the appointed time, and the stories of sick relatives appearing to be off in color, his silent partners became tired of the condition of affairs and entered into an in-

Deplorable Condition. Deplorable Condition.

They found things in a deplorable condition, financially speaking. Among other things it was found that all of the available paper of the concern had been concerd into cash, and that Hardin had utilized the same to his own advantage, and, in addition, he negotiated the firm's paper at a bank for \$2,000, got the same cashed and handled the cash in his own way.

way.

The bill in chancery which Judge Grin-nan acted on yesterday morning was filed by W. F. Deul, C. O. Deal and L. A. S. Deal, the men who put up the money to

organize the company.

These men, who are partners in the concern, fatly charge Hardin with embezzlement, and on their representations the court appointed a receiver, who, about 4 o'clock 'yesterday afternoon, took charge of the business.

Says He Fleeced Them Says He Fleeced Them.

The Messrs. Deal allege in their bill that Hardin is a defaulter and embezzler to the extent of 43.275.28, and they assert that he systematically fleeced them after bamboozling them into a partnership with him. All of these charges are set forth in the application for a receiver and details are entered into.

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In the mounting the whereabouts of In the mounting the whereabouts of Hardin is a mystery, a mystery, however, which neither the Messra. Deal or the police are trying to solve.

CARRIER HAS BAD FALL. Mr. Vaughan Breaks Kneecap by

Slipping on Ice. While attending to his duties as carrier for The Times-Dispatch, Fulton newspaper route, yesterday morning, Mr.

newspaper route, yesterday morning, Mr. John Vaughan had the misfortune to slip on the frozen snow and break his kneecap, which, his doctor says, will incapacitate him from duty for at lenst eight weeks. He had nearly completed the delivery when the accident occurred, so that only a few of his customers were disappointed by not getting their papers. On account of the early hour few people were about, and Mr. Vaughan lay where he fell for quite a while, until his cries for help brought others to the scene, who assisted him to his home.

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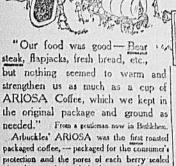
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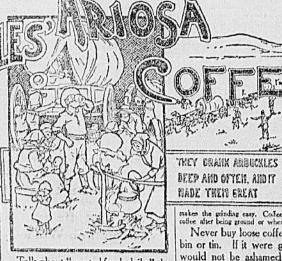
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